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For: PROTEIN DOMAINS IN THE HEPATIC GLYCOGEN-)  
TARGETTING SUBUNIT OF PROTEIN )  
PHOSPHATASE 1 AND METHODS OF MAKING )  
AND USING THE SAME )  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows  
(amendments refer to the claims as published):

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 12 and 13 as follows:

12. (Amended) A compound which is identifiable by the method of claim 9 [any one of Claims 9 to 11].

13. (Amended) A method of reducing the blood glucose level of a mammalian animal comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of [an inhibitor] a compound [as defined in any one of Claims 1 to 12] which is capable of blocking the interaction of phosphorylase a with the glycogen-targeting subunit (G<sub>T</sub>) of protein phosphatase 1.